Information Technology Management Transition Team

With the proposed sunset of the ITM Steering Committee on September 30,1998, the steering committee recommends establishment of an Information Technology Management Transition Team to ensure that ARS continues to progress in efforts to improve management of information technology in support of our research and information mission.

Charge

The purpose of the Information Technology Management Transition Team is to guide implementation of agencywide information policy and to provide a strategy for effective information management during an interim period until the ARS Chief Information Officer (CIO) office is operational.

Proposed Membership

Pam André
Keith Anderson
Will Blackburn
Anna Hewings
NPS Representative
Research Scientist

It is anticipated that others will be called upon as necessary to facilitate interim activities.

Tasks

- Assist with recruitment of a CIO

- Assist with establishment of the CIO's office

- Provide oversight of short term budget requests and acquisitions as recommended by the Information Technology Management Steering Committee Report (for example, new contracts for CALS).

- Provide guidance and monitoring of progress on Team 4 action plan (replacement of the Research Management Information System).

- Provide other guidance and oversight as necessary to ensure an effective transition.

- Organize an AC Retreat on Information Technology Management.